

I have something to refer to and if a member does not have that, the only way I know to get it is to wait until it is printed and have it mailed to him.

Delegate Powers is going to confer with President Eney. I have a suspicion that we are going to close out at a very early time and come in in the morning when we have better preparation. Delegate Hardwicke says he will continue trying to hit the high spots until we get word from President Eney.

DELEGATE HARDWICKE: I think we can use fifteen or twenty minutes here very profitably and I can show you the problem areas, if you will bear with me, and following along in the blue sheets with me. I will show you exactly where we had problems and then you can use the time between now and tomorrow to focus on those.

In personal rights, we had really only three questions. One was the damage question. The other is taking appeals from the magistrate courts to the circuit courts. Third was when to make sovereign immunity effect. Three, subcommittee elections. We had really two basic problems. One was when to make referendum provisions effective and the other was when to make referendum on local laws effective. That is section 6.

On the legislative branch we had two basic problems. One, when does the General Assembly have to reapportion itself under the new constitution? We take the approach in here it has to reapportion itself for elections of 1970. That is in section 7.

Section 7 and 8 tie in together. One pertains to the qualifications of the legislature and the other is redistricting all in effect by 1970.

In the executive branch section 9 we have our lieutenant governor going into office, in the election of 1970. Section 10, 11, 12, all pertain to the executive branch and they are going into office under the new Constitution in 1971.

Section 13 is the reorganization section which we are providing for. Incidentally, section 13 was lifted completely out of the existing draft as we passed it. Section 14 deals with the continuation of Board of Public Works in 1971.

Then the judicial branch —

(At this point, President H. Vernon Eney resumed the Chair.)

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Hardwicke, the sections on the judicial branch of this committee recommendation are perhaps the most involved and difficult to follow. It has been suggested to the Chair that we would make more fruitful use of the time if instead of pursuing the consideration of this recommendation this evening and resuming tomorrow morning that we adjourn at this time to allow you to get some rest, reconvene a little later tomorrow morning at 10:30 because some of the delegates have indicated they would like the opportunity to read through quietly the recommendation before the explanation is continued.

The Chair thinks that in the long run this may be more desirable because the transitional schedule is difficult to follow, it is important. I am hopeful that with a full explanation, the need for debate will be very greatly limited. For that reason we will suspend consideration of the committee recommendation at this point.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: I move the Committee of the Whole rise and report that it has not yet concluded consideration of Committee Recommendation GP-13.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there a second?

(The motion was duly seconded.)

THE CHAIRMAN: All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

(Whereupon, at 10:45 P.M., the Committee of the Whole rose, and the Convention reconvened.)

(The mace was replaced by the Sergeant-at-Arms.)

PLENARY SESSION

JANUARY 3, 1968—10:45 P.M.

PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,
PRESIDING

THE PRESIDENT: The Convention will please come to order. On behalf of the Committee of the Whole, the Chair reports that the Committee has had under consideration Committee Recommendation GP-13, it still has it under consideration and desires leave to sit again.

Are there any announcements necessary to be made by committee chairmen?

(There was no response.)